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Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove tonight released the following statement regarding today’s action by the legislature’s Rules and Management Committee:

“I grew up in a single parent home where there were four children, and one of those children grew up to be governor of the State of Mississippi. I am thankful to be alive and to have the opportunity to serve our people.

“We did not have a lot of space and the finer things life had to offer, but we worked hard just the same. So I, along with my staff, will continue to work hard for the people of Mississippi. I can tell you a lot of folks in New York and Washington, D.C., are glad to be alive right now, regardless of the fact they do not have office space. These tragic events have helped put things in perspective for all of us. They have reminded us of the truly important things in life – not offices, or buildings, or material things – but the value of lives and the spirit of service to our fellow man.

“Regardless of the obstacles that may lie ahead, I will continue to work hard for all of the people of Mississippi.”